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Attorney General John Ashcroft

US Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to voice my opinion in regards to the Microsoft settlement issue. I support the settlement that was reached in November, and I support Microsoft in this dispute. Microsoft has accomplished a tremendous amount in the last ten years, and these accomplishments have had a positive impact on our daily lives.

This settlement will end three years of costly litigation. Microsoft has agreed to fully carry out all provisions in this agreement, even provisions that go well beyond the original issues of the lawsuit. Microsoft has agreed to share information with its competitors that will allow them to place their own software on the Windows operating system. Microsoft has also agreed to be monitored by a technical oversight committee created by the government to monitor Microsoft compliance.

This settlement will serve in the best public interest. Please support this settlement so this company can move forward with innovative design. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Helen Rockwell